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# Cleaning Checklist

## Kitchen

- Dust: surfaces, chairs, windowsills light fixtures and baseboards
- Clean windows / glass doors
- Sweep / mop floors
- Deodorize garbage can / disposal
- Disinfect / Wipe microwave
- Disinfect / Wipe refrigerator
- Wipe front of appliances
- Disinfect door knobs / light switches
- Magic eraser doors / walls
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## Dining Room

- Dust: surfaces, chairs, windowsills, light fixtures and baseboards
- Clean windows
- Sweep / Mop floors
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## Living Room / Family Room

- Dust: surfaces, chairs, windowsills, light fixtures and baseboards, TV screen, mantle
- Sweep / mop floors
- Sweep / fluff couch cushions
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## Bathrooms

- Dust: surfaces, chairs, windowsills, light fixtures and baseboards
- Sweep / mop floors
- Disinfect knobs, switches
- Clean toilets
- Clean sinks, mirrors, tubs, showers, vanity
- Clean windows / shower doors

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## Bedrooms

- Dust: surfaces, chairs, windowsills light fixtures and baseboards
- Clean windows
- Sweep / mop floors
- Change sheets and make beds
- Magic eraser doors / walls
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## Outdoor

- Touch up paint where needed
- Sweep porches or doorways
- Shake out welcome mats
- Clean or put away patio furniture
- Put out outdoor decorations
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# Thanksgiving

## 6 weeks to go:

- Designate a set-up space
  - Review Holiday Binder
  - Print/Add new recipes and notes
  - Start planning menu
  - Review Grocery list from last year
  - Purchase commonly sold out items (bags, disposable pans/aluminum leftover pans)
  - Start planning décor / Place setting ideas
  - Look for fall décor sales / Coupons
  - Place Pre-Orders (turkey, rolls, pies)
  - Place orders for centerpieces, mums etc
- If you're traveling:**
- Book flights / hotels / rental car
  - Arrange care for pets
  - Arrange hold on mail
  - Arrange to stay with family / friends
  - Ask for rides to and from airport if necessary
  - Plan driving activities for kids
  - Turn in time off work if needed

## 4 weeks to go:

- Make a timeline
- Start inviting guests
- Start decorating
- Design place cards / invitations
- Make a list of home improvements needed

## 2-3 weeks to go:

- Confirm final headcount / Ask guests to bring dishes / desserts
- Adjust grocery list
- Ask guests to bring dishes / desserts
- Buy / Freeze turkey if you haven't already
- Confirm arrival times / travel needs for out of town guests
- Start shopping for non-perishables / beverages

## Notes

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# Thanksgiving

## 1 week to go:

- Prepare welcome bags for guest rooms
  - Change guest room sheets / make bed
  - Dust / Vacuum guest room
  - Finalize grocery list
  - Gather coupons / sale ads
  - Polish silverware
  - Wash china / glassware (store in prep area)
  - Make a cooking schedule by hour for Thanksgiving Day
  - Finish home improvement list
  - Clean / decorate exterior of your home
  - Confirm you have enough: chairs, tables, placemats, silverware, glasses, mugs, napkins, linens
- If you're traveling:**
- Start packing
  - Confirm flights / hotels / rental car
  - Confirm care for pets / mail etc.
  - Confirm arrival times with your host
  - Confirm airport pickup if needed
  - Order and ship a thank you gift to your host

## 3-4 days to go:

- Wash platters, serving dishes and utensils – store in prep area
- Label platters with post its for easy food prep
- Check thaw time for turkey
- Start thawing turkey if necessary
- Remind / Confirm what guests are bringing
- Confirm any ordered items / pick up and delivery times
- Finish grocery shopping
- Buy or start storing ice from ice maker
- Print place cards

## 2 days to go:

- Set up / dust tables and chairs
- Make / Pick up pies and refrigerate
- Set out bread for homemade dressing
- Clear surfaces in kitchen for cooking space
- Clean the inside of your home

## 1 day to go:

- Iron tablecloths / linen napkins
- Set Table
- Prep / refrigerate appetizers
- Chill white wines / liquor / soft drinks
- Start cooking / refrigerating

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# Thanksgiving

## Thanksgiving Day:

- Double check guest rooms, kitchen, family room, and bathrooms – spot clean as needed
- Review cooking schedule / start turkey
- Designate / set up areas in your kitchen for appetizers, desserts, coffee and drinks so guests can serve themselves while you cook
- Clean up as much as you can while you cook
- Designate a clean up area (mudroom, hallway)
- Run / Unload dishwasher before dinner
- Fill sink with soapy water before dinner
- Brew coffee while you eat

## Cleanup:

- Clear dishes / load dishwasher
- Drain sink / refill / wipe surfaces
- Vacuum
- Separate leftovers for guests
- Soak / wash non-dishwasher safe items
- Put all linens directly into washer and start
- Make notes for next year while they are fresh in your mind
- Return dishes

## Notes:

- Slice pies and set up on dessert table before dinner
- Set up appetizers on a separate table
- Make it easy for guests to serve themselves as much as possible by setting up stations
- Empty dishwasher before dinner for easy cleanup
- Clear countertops of decorations to maximize cooking and prep surfaces

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# Thanksgiving

## *Timeline:*

- 6:00 am –
- 7:00 am
- 8:00 am
- 9:00 am
- 10:00 am
- 11:00 am
- 12:00 pm
- 1:00 pm
- 2:00 pm
- 3:00 pm
- 4:00 pm
- 5:00 pm
- 6:00 pm
- 7:00 pm

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# Thanksgiving: Grocery List

## Produce

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## Meat / Poultry / Fish

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## Dry Goods / Frozen / Canned Goods

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## Storage / Serving

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## Dairy / Other

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# Thanksgiving: Recipes

## *Dressing*

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# Thanksgiving: Recipes

## Turkey + Gravy

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# Thanksgiving: Recipes

## Pies

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